

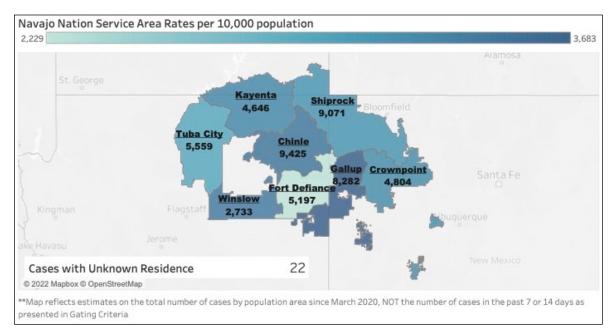
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104 new cases, 45,952 recoveries, and no deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 104 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,616. The report indicates that 45,952 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 470,464 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 49,739, including 38 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 9,425

Crownpoint Service Unit: 4,804Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,197

Gallup Service Unit: 8,282Kayenta Service Unit: 4,646Shiprock Service Unit: 9,071

Tuba City Service Unit: 5,559Winslow Service Unit: 2,733

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Sunday, the state of Arizona reported 13,473 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will report case numbers on Monday. Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and First Lady Phefelia Nez joined frontline workers on Saturday, during the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation's COVID-19 vaccine and booster shot drive in the community of Kaibeto, Ariz. and distributed masks, cleaning products, and other PPEs to residents.

"It was wonderful to see our frontline workers administering COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots to our people over the weekend. We have one of the highest vaccination rates anywhere in the world, but we can do better. The vaccines are our best defense against the Omicron variant along with the precautions prescribed by our public health experts. Wear two masks in public, practice social distancing, wash your hands often, and if you're sick please stay home and isolate," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Keep praying and keep taking precautions to keep yourself and others safe from COVID-19. We are overcoming this pandemic one day at a time, but we all have to do our part. Please be safe, take precautions, and help to lessen the burden on our frontline workers," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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